

# GEORGE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on **Tuesday 24 May 2022** 

in the Council Chambers, 16-18 Anne Street, George Town,

commenced at 1:00 pm.

In accordance with the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020, Part 4, Section 18, and as given notice by the Premier of Tasmania, Peter Gutwein, under the same Act and published in the Tasmanian Government Gazette No. 21 963, 3 April 2020, this meeting is being held face to face with limitations on public attendance to maintain social distancing.

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All documents presented, and recordings (audio) of this meeting are made available to the public in accordance with the above Act and Notice, and the standard applicable provisions of the Local Government Act 1993, and Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

Kristen Desmond ACTING GENERAL MANAGER

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#### Meeting Commenced at 1:00 pm

#### Acknowledgement of Country

The George Town Council pays its respects to the traditional and original owners of the land in which we meet, their elders past, present and emerging and we pay respect to those that have passed before us and acknowledge today's Tasmanian Aboriginal people who are the custodians of this land.

#### **AUDIO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The public is advised that it is **Council Policy** to record the proceedings of meetings of Council on digital media to assist in the preparation of Minutes, and to clarify any queries relating to the Minutes that is raised during a subsequent meeting under the section "Confirmation of Minutes".

The recording does not replace the written Minutes and a transcript of the recording will not be prepared.

All meetings of the Council shall be digitally recorded as provided for by Regulation 33 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 except for the proceedings of meetings or parts of meetings closed to the public in accordance with Regulation 15(2).

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#### 1 PRESENT

Mayor Cr Greg Kieser, Chairperson Deputy Mayor Cr Tim Harris Cr Chris Barraclough Cr Heather Barwick Cr Greg Dawson Cr Dean Gibbons Cr Andrew Michieletto Cr Peter Parkes

#### 1.1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Winston Mason General Manager - Mr S. Power Director Corporate and Communities – Ms C. Hyde

#### 1.2 IN ATTENDANCE

Acting General Manager - Mrs K. Desmond
Acting Director Infrastructure and Development - Mr D. Thornton
Executive Support and Governance Officer - Ms L. Dickenson

The Chair advised the Ordinary Council Meeting that under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993 Section 61B he has appointed the Director Organisational Performance, Strategy & Engagement, Mrs Kristen Desmond as Acting General Manager for the period of 1.00 pm Tuesday 24th May 2022 until 8.00 am Friday 27th May 2022. If any member of the public or meeting wish to view the Delegation are to contact Council.

#### **2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### 2.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 26TH APRIL 2022

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the Minutes of Council's Ordinary Meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022 numbered 043/22 to 055/22 and 059/22 as provided to Councillors be received and confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

#### Minute No. 060/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Harris

Seconded: Cr Barraclough

That the Minutes of Council's Ordinary Meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022 numbered 043/22 to 055/22 and 059/22 as provided to Councillors be received and confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

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Cr Parkes thanked Council and Councillors for their kind words and gift on the recent passing of his father.

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Nil.

#### **4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

#### 4.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME PROCEDURE

[Refer to Minute No. 243/16. The period set aside for public question time will be at least 15 minutes. Questions given on notice will be addressed first. Once questions on notice have been addressed, persons who have registered their interest to ask a question will be called to do so in the order in which they have registered. Persons attending Council meetings will have the opportunity to register their interest to ask a question without notice prior to the commencement of the meeting. Council staff will be on hand to assist with this process.

Participants cannot ask more than 2 questions in a row with a maximum of 2 minutes per question. If a person has more than (2) questions, they will be placed at the 'end of the queue' and may, if time permits, ask their further questions once all other persons have had an opportunity to ask questions. Persons who have not registered their interest to ask a question will be given an opportunity to do so following all those who have registered. All questions must be directed to the Chairperson.

For further information on Council's Public Question Time Rules and Procedure, please refer to George Town Council Public Question Time Policy No. 18.]

Questions asked and answers provided may be summarised in the Minutes of the meeting.

Due to restrictions in place during the COVID-19 pandemic as enabled through the COVID-19 Disease Emergency (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020, public question time will be conducted in the following manner.

George Town Council will be allowing members of the public that have submitted an objection to a planning matter (priority attendance) and questions from the public to a maximum of 10 persons (to maintain social distancing) into the Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Council will accept all other written questions which will be asked and responded to at the meeting. These questions will be recorded in Council's Minutes and will be available on the audio recording.

You must pre-register to attend this meeting of Council.

4.2	PUBL	IC QUES	TIONS	<b>ON NOTICE</b>	
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Nil.

#### 4.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Commenced at: 1.04 pm

Concluded at: 1.18 pm

#### Mrs L. Wootton

Q1. Mrs Wootton thanked Council for the answers to her questions from the last meeting and wondered why that at least some of the preamble was not included in the response to ensure that if anyone was reading it, could make sense of it. Mrs Wootton then apologised that she could not remember the mans name working on Regent Square and expressed that she didn't understand why the General Manager didn't know who the employee was she was referring to who was working on Regent Square. Mrs Wootton asked who is now responsible for the works on Regent Square?

The Chair advised that Mr Dale Thornton is the Acting Director Infrastructure & Works who is responsible for the works on Regent Square.

#### Q2. Format of the Agenda

In the interests of transparency, etc, can important reports and documents, especially the Financial and Audit Panel Reports that appear so small in this agenda, be printed in as large a format as the page will allow in the future, so you don't require a magnifying glass to read it.

The Chair agreed that the agenda will be clear and accessible for all members of the community.

#### <u>Preamble</u>

(P78) - Arts and Culture report - "Artesian?/Artisan Guild" - \$380,000 grant

I was interested to read that these 'projects' are scheduled to start in June - next month.

At the September meeting last year I asked if the Council could organise a meeting with all interested groups and individuals to:

- a. explain exactly what was proposed; and
- b. to ascertain what real commitment there was to using and helping with the running of an 'arts centre'.

Ideally, this should have happened before the grant submission was made, but it still hasn't happened to my knowledge.

I've been an active member of Lighthouse Regional Arts since 2003.

We already have a rudimentary online Local Arts Trail, kept up to date with photos and information of all publicly available art, right throughout the municipal area on Lighthouse Regional Art's Blogspot, after a scoping report by Tasmanian Regional Arts some years ago recommended it.

And there is already a Tamar Valley Arts Trail - on the West Tamar.

From the same Tasmanian Regional Arts scoping report, Arts on Track was formed and operated for some years to co-ordinate 'the arts' throughout the whole Northeast sector, but it went 'Off Track' and it concentrated on Dorset happening not here. So, we don't need to reinvent the wheel!

Most groups and individual artists have their own websites and facebook pages and Regional Arts Network Tasmania (RANT) is the peak arts body that facilitates and promotes the arts and administers the Regional Arts Fund.

A coordinated approach would be welcomed and is what is needed in this area.

- Q3. Will Council please organise a public meeting/workshop soon, with all interested groups and individuals to:
  - properly explain what is proposed from this funding and how this funding could assist all local groups and individuals
  - hear what the 'arts community' is already doing or has done
  - hear what they think they need
  - ascertain what real commitment there would be to using and running of a designated Guild House, presuming it will be dependent on people wanting to work in a public space and to 'man' it.

The Chair thanked Mrs Wootton for her question and the Chair stated that they celebrate the contribution of all various artists groups particularly with the lighthouse regional arts making it a focus of the arts in our community. We both recognise and celebrate the contribution of the Light House Regional Arts. it is our intention to be consultative of what will be done Council's approach is to put a proposition on the table for the community to review. Council is in the process of producing this document and then there will be broad community consultation. The Chair is favour of bringing all the art groups together and to get more people together to be engaged and be creative.

Mrs Wootton then asked if you could get them together soon?

The timeframe is to be determined but the Chair gave an undertaking that the community consultation will occur.

#### Ms L. Williams

Ms Williams asked if this was the forum to ask about the weeds and the state of the street?

The Chair advised that there are two options, firstly if you need things done a service request is to be completed then please prioritise this as Council has over a 90% success rate; and if this has been done then yes this is the forum. Ms Williams indicated that she had completed service requests and was happy that had been actioned. The Chair invited Mrs Williams to take the lecturn and ask her question.

Mrs Williams stated that the main street of George Town is looking neglected and she has spoken with tourists who have stated that it looks messy and untidy. The streets have been swept but the weeds are overgrown. The weeds are on the left-hand side of the street coming into town.

The Chair apologised for the interruption and asked if the weeds are on public or private land.

Mrs Williams answered that the weeds are outside the businesses and the shop owners are not doing anything for it. The gutters are full of rubbish and the shop fronts are dirty. Mrs Williams did note that Freddies is nice and clean.

The Chair clarified Council's responsibility to Mrs Williams stating that Council's responsibility stops at the end of the pavement. Council will make sure that there is an inspection but currently Council's workforce is being realigned to target different projects and problems at differing times of the year. The businesses facades, guttering etc. is beyond the control and scope of Council. Both the Mayor and General Manager as well as the Councillors, visit these premises from time to time and provide encouragement but beyond encouragement, there is no formal action that Council can take. It is the remit of the private land owners.

Chair permitted Cr Dawson to speak. Cr Dawson asked whether Council could advocate on behalf of Mrs Williams to the George Town Chamber of Commerce or Council could put together a "Pride in Business" award or something similar. The Chair provided a positive response to the suggestion of Cr Dawson.

The Chair stated that this is something that Council may consider.

The Chair permitted the Deputy Mayor to speak. Cr Harris stated that during the fire season, Council will mow a block and charge the ratepayer for Council's work. Why isn't this something we could look at for these premises. The Chair stated that this is something we look at in terms of our policy. This would need to review the policies, workshopped and go to a public forum.

Ms Williams also stated that the weeds in the garden beds along the waterfront also need to be dealt with.

The Chair advised that currently the workforce is battling with Covid, and Council have a partially staffed outdoor crew for the last couple of months. This may be the reason why the normal standards are not being met as usual.

Also, Ms Williams stated that there are three decent potholes along the main street after Targa. Ms Williams also stated that she has put in service requests to Council and that they have been done and is happy with the outcome.

The Chair stated that the system is working.

Ms Williams advised that she will be waiting on the outcome from today.

The Chair thanked Ms Williams for her questions.

#### 4.4 RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS FROM PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

(Refer to Minute No. 425/00, which states in part, "that a copy of all written replies to questions from the Public Gallery be included in the following Council Agenda.")

#### Mrs L. Wootton



12th May 2022

Mrs Lorraine Wootton

Dear Mrs Wootton,

#### RE: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING -26<sup>™</sup> APRIL 2022 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Council would like to thank you for your questions submitted to the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April, 2022 in relation to the progress of the Regent Square project and your conversations with a Council officer last year. The Chair read your questions which were taken on notice at this meeting. Please see Council's response below.

- Q1. Can you please tell me:
- a. It this man still employed and how many extra staff are, or will be employed to enable this to happen? and
- b. When will the carpark landscaping be completed and the other gardens weeded?

The Chair took the questions on notice.

As I am unaware of the man with which you refer it is hard to give a direct answer to this, with that being said there is an employee that is capable and will be seeing this job through to the end.

With regard to the carpark landscaping there are only the turfed areas to be completed which are awaiting the connection of the irrigation system before installation of said turf to ensure maximum success with establishment.

c. Mayor Kieser, you made a commitment on Tamar FM and at the Roadshows recently that the Regent Square redevelopment is '100% funded'.

The Chair advised that this is correct.

and 'it will be 90% complete before the wet season' without extra costs to ratepayers.

But after lots of activity preparing pathways behind the carpark, the concreting has not been finished, there appears to have been little happening on Regent Square over the past two weeks - and the rains have started.

The Chair advised that this is true but the rains have not set in yet. The Chair further advised that he believes that Council can achieve this milestone.

Q2. Could you please tell me what the hold-up is, and when we will see more progress?

The Chair thanked Mrs Wootton for her questions and that they will be taken on notice and written responses will be sent in due course.

The concrete footpaths referred to have been held up due to the quarry supplying stone for the concrete having to close due to a Covid-19 outbreak. Concreting is set to continue again in the upcoming week and continue to progress, including linking the paths from the carpark to the path from Cimitiere St.

Further to these delays there has been a supply shortage for much of the material required to proceed within the larger open space, however, these materials have since turned up this week and works have recommenced over the last few days.

Yours sincerely,

Shane Power General Manager

#### Mr R. Richardson



11th May 2022

Mr R. Richardson

Dear Mr Richardson

#### RE: ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 26TH APRIL 2022 - PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Council would like to thank you for your questions and attendance at the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2022. Please find below your question and Council's response for your information.

#### Q1. Midway Woodchip Development Application

In December, 2021 I read the DA concerning the woodchip proposal. Amongst the proposals were woodchip stockpiling of chips on the wharf at Berth 7. The pile began 'growing' in January. A proposed shed has also been constructed. Heavy earth-moving machinery has also appeared on the wharf. Are these part of the Midway project? If so, why? the approval process begins today at this Council meeting does it not?

The Chair thanked Mr Richardson for his question. The Chair stated that we can answer our specific component, the other component you will have to ask the official operators of the berth.

Through the Chair, the General Manager advised that the land in question today we cannot confirm what activity you are referring to, but we are aware that previous works have been done on this site. The owner has been doing some rehabilitation works under its own DA in the lead up to the DA today. There are two separate activities. I cannot confirm what you are referring to, but we have had discussions with relation to that previously.

The General Manager further went on to say that all the questions and concerns that have been put before Council are addressed in the planner's response and any questions you have had previously has been addressed by the planner.

The Chair further committed that Council would take Mr Richardson's question on notice, and a written response would be provided.

The following additional information has been provided by Council's Town Planner:

The woodchips observed at Berth 7 are not associated with the DA for woodchip production considered by Council on the  $26^{th}$  April 2022. The site in Norfolk Street is currently vacant.

At the time of the assessment and at the time of writing this response, there is no machinery onsite capable of producing the woodchips observed at the berth. It is noted that there are several other woodchip manufacturers already in Bell Bay and it is likely that the observed woodchip pile growing at berth 7 is associated with these mills.

TasPorts manage the port of Bell Bay and allocate what berths are used for what purposes as the need arises. Council has no jurisdiction over the Proclaimed Wharf and it will be necessary for you to contact TasPorts if additional information is required regarding the use of individual berths.

#### Q2. Noise Emanating from the Bell Bay Industrial Precinct

Is Council aware that the Bell Bay industrial zone was established next to a pre-existing residential zone in the West Tamar municipality? And is Council aware that noise emissions from the Bell Bay industrial zone average about 46 decibels recorded about 5 km away at Beauty Point?

The Chair, again thanked Mr Richardson for his question, and advised that all those requirements and EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) stipulates that all of the operators are currently compliant with the requirements put on them. It is not to say that concerns are not valid but suspect that Council is not the relevant authority to be able to respond. The EPA would be the more appropriate body with the capacity to act. Again, you will receive a written response on notice.

The following additional information has been provided by Council's Town Planner:

Council is aware of the proximity of Bell Bay to established residential areas in both Beauty Point and George Town. The first industries in Bell Bay were lawfully established in the mid 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Planning legislation at this time was very different to the planning legislation that exists today. Generally there were no formal industrial or residential zones at this time.

The Bell Bay Industrial Precinct has existed for almost 70 years and is the most significant industrial estate and deep-water port in Tasmania. While it is appreciated that the environmental impacts of proposals within the estate must be managed, there are no plans for the site to be decommissioned any time in the foreseeable future.

The majority of activities within the Bell Bay Industrial Precinct are Level 2 Activities, the environmental impacts of which are assessed and managed by the EPA, including noise impacts. The noise impacts being experienced should be discussed with the EPA to verify the extent to which they are causing a nuisance, their likely source and any measures that may be taken to reduce the impacts. The EPA can be contacted via:

Telephone: (03) 6165 4599

Email: enquiries@epa.tas.gov.au

Again, thank you for your attendance and questions at the April Ordinary Council meeting.

Yours sincerely,

Shane Power General Manager

#### **5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

#### 6 ACTING GENERAL MANAGER'S DECLARATION

I certify that with respect to all advice, information or recommendations provided to Council with this Agenda:

- the advice, information or recommendation is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation; and
- where any advice is given directly to Council by a person who does not have the required qualifications of experience, that person has obtained and taken into account in that person's general advice, the advice from an appropriately qualified or experienced person.

Kristen Desmond

**ACTING GENERAL MANAGER** 

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 – SECTION 65

#### 65. Qualified persons

- (1) A general manager must ensure that any advice, information or recommendation given to the council, or a council committee is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation.
- (2) A council or council committee is not to decide on any matter which requires the advice of a qualified person without considering such advice unless
  - (a) the general manager certifies, in writing
    - (i) that such advice was obtained; and
    - (ii) that the general manager took the advice into account in providing general advice to the council or council committee; and
  - (b) a copy of that advice or, if the advice was given orally, a written transcript or summary of that advice is provided to the council or council committee with the general manager's certificate.

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Nil.

#### **8 OFFICE OF GENERAL MANAGER**

#### 8.1 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS - MARCH, APRIL, AND MAY 2022

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager – Mr S. Power

**REPORT DATE:** 17th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 14.10

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the report on the Council Workshops held on:

- 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- 12<sup>th</sup> April
- 26<sup>th</sup> April
- 28<sup>th</sup> April
- 10<sup>th</sup> May and
- 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022

#### Minute No. 061/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Dawson Seconded: Cr Harris

That Council receives the report on the Council Workshops held on:

- 22<sup>nd</sup> March
- 12<sup>th</sup> April
- 26<sup>th</sup> April
- 28<sup>th</sup> April
- 10<sup>th</sup> May and
- 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

### 8.2 REALLOCATION OF CAPITAL FUNDS FROM BIOMASS PROCESSOR TO WILD TAMAR INITIATIVE

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager – Mr S. Power

**REPORT DATE:** 18th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 32.1

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- 1. Approve to reallocate funds from the 2021/2022 approved capital works program and budget of \$100,000 originally approved for co-funding of a biomass burner for the purposes of providing capital to assist new tourism related business ventures as part of the Wild Tamar initiative: and
- 2. Continue to seek funding opportunities for a biomass burner.

#### Minute No. 062/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Dawson Seconded: Cr Barwick

That this report be deferred.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

#### 8.3 GEORGE TOWN AIRPORT SKY DIVING

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager – Mr S. Power

**REPORT DATE:** 18th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 53.1

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- 1. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association for landing fees to be acknowledged and form part of a new process; and
- 2. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association (and skydiving operator/s) that sets out landing fees, expectations of compliance and operations in accordance with guidelines of the Australian Parachute Federation, CASA and fly neighbourly policies; and
- 3. introduce a new fee 'landing fee' of \$100 be introduced as part of the 2022/2023 budget process.

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Gibbons Seconded: Cr Dawson

#### That Council:

- 1. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association for landing fees to be acknowledged and form part of a new process; and
- 2. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association (and skydiving operator/s) that sets out landing fees, expectations of compliance and operations in accordance with guidelines of the Australian Parachute Federation, CASA and fly neighbourly policies; and
- 3. introduce a new fee 'landing fee' of \$100 be introduced as part of the 2022/2023 budget process.

NO VOTING TOOK PLACE

#### Minute No. 063/22

#### **AMENDMENT**

Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Michieletto

#### That Council:

- 1. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association for landing fees to be acknowledged and form part of a new process; and
- 2. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association (and skydiving operator/s) that sets out landing fees, expectations of compliance and operations in accordance with guidelines of the Australian Parachute Federation, CASA and fly neighbourly policies; and
- 3. introduce a new fee 'landing fee' of \$100 be introduced as part of the 2022/2023 budget process.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Brooks, Cr Dawson, Cr

Gibbons, Cr Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

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#### Minute No. 064/22

#### **SUBSTANTIVE**

Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Michieletto

#### That Council:

- 1. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association for landing fees to be acknowledged and form part of a new process; and
- 2. Authorise the General Manager to negotiate an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association (and skydiving operator/s) that sets out landing fees, expectations of compliance and operations in accordance with guidelines of the Australian Parachute Federation, CASA and fly neighbourly policies; and
- 3. introduce a new fee 'landing fee' of \$100 be introduced as part of the 2022/2023 budget process.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Brooks, Cr Dawson, Cr

Gibbons, Cr Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

#### 8.4 QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT 1ST JANUARY - 31ST MARCH 2022

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager – Mr S. Power

**REPORT DATE:** 18th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 14.12

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

- 1. Receives the George Town Council 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Performance report 1<sup>st</sup> January 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022; and
- 2. Provides public access to the report as part of Council's commitment to ongoing good governance.

#### Minute No. 065/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Gibbons Seconded: Cr Michieletto

#### That Council:

- 1. Receives the George Town Council 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Performance report 1<sup>st</sup> January 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022; and
- 2. Provides public access to the report as part of Council's commitment to ongoing good governance.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr Michieletto and

Cr Parkes

Against: Cr Barwick

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#### 8.5 SUBMISSION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW BOARD

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager – Mr S. Power

**REPORT DATE:** 19th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 14.20

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

1. Submit the report as presented in Attachment One to the Local Government Review Board.

#### Minute No. 066/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Dawson Seconded: Cr Parkes

#### That Council:

1. Submit the report as presented in Attachment One to the Local Government Review Board.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr Michieletto and

Cr Parkes

Against: Cr Barwick

CARRIED 7 / 1

#### 9 INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

### 9.1 PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF CROWN LAND FOR PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND LIGHT INDUSTRIAL BUFFER

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Manager Development Services and Environment – Rex

Cassidy

**REPORT DATE**: 15th May 2022 **FILE NO**: PID 7852601

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

 commence a process with the State Government through Parks Wildlife Services, Crown Land Services, or their delegated agents, to transfer a portion of land (consisting of approximately 3.5 hectares, and forming part of PID:7852601) to George Town Council under a Section 12 transfer (Crown Land Act 1976), for the purposes of public open space.

#### Minute No. 067/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Michieletto Seconded: Cr Gibbons

#### That Council:

 commence a process with the State Government through Parks Wildlife Services, Crown Land Services, or their delegated agents, to transfer a portion of land (consisting of approximately 3.5 hectares and forming part of PID:7852601) to George Town Council under a Section 12 transfer (Crown Land Act 1976), for the purposes of public open space.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

#### 9.2 LEASING OF COUNCIL LAND

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Acting Director Infrastructure & Development – Mr D. Thornton

**REPORT DATE**: 18th May 2022 **FILE NO**: 51.5, 32.36, 55.6

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

1. Approves to commence the statutory public process under Section 178 of the Local Government Act to lease a portion of land which is adjacent to the works depot in Franklin Street George Town PID 1862024 for light industrial use in George Town.

#### Minute No. 068/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Barraclough

Seconded: Cr Harris

#### That Council:

1. Approves to commence the statutory public process under Section 178 of the Local Government Act to lease a portion of land which is adjacent to the works depot in Franklin Street George Town PID 1862024 for light industrial use in George Town.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

#### **10 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY**

#### 10.1 BASS AND FLINDERS MARITIME MUSEUM COLLECTION POLICY

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Director Corporate and Community – Cheryl Hyde

**REPORT DATE**: 16 May 2022

**FILE NO:** 55.33

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Adopt the Bass and Flinders Museum Collection Policy as presented.

#### Minute No. 069/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Barraclough Seconded: Cr Parkes

That Council:

1. Adopt the Bass and Flinders Museum Collection Policy as presented.

Cr Michieletto left the meeting at 2.12 pm.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons and Cr Parkes

Against: Cr Barwick

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### 11 ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE, STRATEGY & ENGAGEMENT

#### 11.1 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH 2022/2023 FEES AND CHARGES

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Director Organisational Performance, Strategy & Engagement

- Ms K. Desmond

**REPORT DATE**: 18 May 2022

**FILE NO**: 45.24

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopts the following Environmental Health fees and charges for the 2022/2023 budget year.

Facility or Service	Fee Description	GST Inc.	2021/22 Fees	2022/23 Fees
Environmental Health				
Food Business Inspection	Additional inspection		\$151	\$160
Food Business Notification	Notification Only		\$15	\$16
Food Business Registration (incl. state wide)	Low risk premises [1]		\$151*	\$160*
Food Business Registration (incl. state wide)	Medium risk premises [2]		\$292*	\$309*
Food Business Registration (incl. state wide)	High Risk premises [3]		\$292*	\$309*
Food Business Registration	3 months		\$52	\$55
	6 months		\$94	\$100
	12 months		\$188	\$199
Late Fee			\$32	\$34
Food Business Registration	Temporary Food (non – commercial/charity) (fee waived if application received more than 7 days prior to event)		\$33 (waived for NFP groups as in kind supportif submitted at least 7 days prior)	\$35 (waived for NFP groups as in kind supportif submitted at least 7 days prior)
Food and Food Sampling	Food Sampling [4]		\$126	\$134
On-site Wastewater Management System Design Assessment	Subdivision assessment (1 lot)		\$323	\$342
On-site Wastewater Management System Inspection	Reinspection due to incomplete or faulty work		\$151	\$160
Water Supply Registration -	Registration as a supplier of bulk potable water, or water from a private source (other than from Taswater). Includes registration, inspection and		\$151	\$160

	water sample on costs.		
Public Health	Place of Assembly License (new or renewal)	\$151(waived for NFP groups as in kind support)	\$160 (waived for NFP group s as in kind suppo rt)
Public Health	Registration of premises for public health risk activity (e.g. skin penetration)	\$151	\$160
Public Health	Registration of a Regulated System (e.g. cooling towers)	\$151	\$160

#### Minute No. 070/22

Cr Michieletto returned to the meeting at 2.18 pm.

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Gibbons

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#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Gibbons, Cr Michieletto and

Cr Parkes

Against: Cr Dawson

CARRIED 7 / 1

### **12 MAYOR**

#### 12.1 MATTERS OF INVOLVEMENT - MAYOR

**REPORT DATE**: 20 May 2022

**FILE NO:** 14.15

Mayor Cr G	reg Kieser	
April	14	Met with Low Head resident
	22	Attended Tas Irrigation at Hillwood Berry Farm
	23	Attended Anzac Service – Home Game George Town vs Hillwood
	25	Attended and participated in the Anzac Day Service
	26	Chaired Ordinary Council meeting
	27	Interview with Tamar FM
	27	Attended BBAMZ presentation
	27	Site visit with General Manager at Kymera International
	28	Attended Council Budget Workshop
	28	Hosted the Unveiling of the Australia Medal Board with John
		Osborne OAM, Dr Frank Madill OAM and Sue
	29	Attended Hydrogen Hub announcement
	29	Met with Premier the Hon. Jeremy Rockliff MP
May	2	Site visit – Senior Citizens building
	5	Attended meeting between TasWater, RecFit, FFI and George Town Council
	10	Chaired Council Workshop
	11	Met with local resident
	11	Met with George Town Bowls Club representatives
	11	Met with representative from George Town Lions
	17	Attended Council Budget Workshop
	19	Hosted the George Town Volunteer Awards 2022 morning tea

Note: The Mayor has maintained regular contact with the General Manager and key staff to keep abreast of and respond to the COVID-19 crisis.

#### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the information report from the Mayor on Matters of Involvement be received and the information noted.

#### Minute No. 071/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Parkes Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the information report from the Mayor on Matters of Involvement be received and the information noted.

Mayor Cr Gre	g Kieser	
April	14	Met with Low Head resident
	22	Attended Tas Irrigation at Hillwood Berry Farm
	23	Attended Anzac Service – Home Game George Town vs
		Hillwood
	25	Attended and participated in the Anzac Day Service
	26	Chaired Ordinary Council meeting
	26	Meeting with the Federal Minister for Bass and General
		Manager
	27	Interview with Tamar FM
	27	Attended BBAMZ presentation
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Cr Harris left the meeting at 2.23 pm.

Cr Harris returned to the meeting at 2.25 pm.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

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Nil.

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Nil.

#### 15 COUNCILLORS' QUESTIONS WITH OR WITHOUT NOTICE

#### Cr Barwick

Why did Council not apply for a permit for the pump track where it is as it comes under discretionary use under the Planning Scheme?

The Chair took the question on notice.

#### Cr Dawson

When does Council intend to paint lines on the speed humps on Macquarie Street?

The Chair took the question on notice and it is noted that the Council has reinstated the speed humps along Macquarie Street after they were removed for Targa Tasmania. Council is in the process of scheduling with a line marking company. Council will put out notification on our social media feed as well as the electronic noticeboard on the entrance to town. Weather permitting, Council is anticipating in the next 10 days Council will complete the line marking. The Chair requested that motorists and pedestrians to exercise caution in the meantime pending the completion of the works.

#### Cr Barwick

Could Council have the costing to Council of the removal and reinstatement of the traffic calming devices in Macquarie Street?

The Chair took the question on notice.

#### **Cr Harris**

Could the traffic calming devices be placed at 444 – 488 Low Head Read.

The Chair noted the question.

The Chair called a point of order against all Councillors at 2.30 pm.

#### 16 COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 16.1 GEORGE TOWN COMMUNITY SAFETY GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 5TH APRIL 2022

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Executive Support and Governance Officer – Louise Dickenson

**REPORT DATE:** 17th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 22.24

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

1. Notes the Minutes of the George Town Safety Group Committee meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

#### Minute No. 072/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Barwick Seconded: Cr Barraclough

#### That Council:

1. Notes the Minutes of the George Town Safety Group Committee meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

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Moved: Cr Barwick Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the Committee recommend to Council that traffic and speed counters to be placed approximately 444-488 Low Head Road before the boat ramp and caravan park.

The Chair called a Point of Order against Cr Barwick at 2.35 pm. The Chair called a Point of Order against Cr Barwick at 2.36 pm.

The Chair called a Point of Order against Councillors at 2.37 pm.

Cr Dawson withdrew his support for the motion.

**NO VOTING TOOK PLACE** 

Moved: Cr Harris Seconded: Cr Gibbons

That traffic and speed counters be placed at 136 Low Head Road and the entrance to the boat ramp.

The Chair called a Point of Order against all Councillors at 2.41 pm.

**NO VOTING TOOK PLACE** 

#### Minute No. 073/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Parkes Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the motion be deferred.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Cr Harris, Cr Gibbons and Cr Barwick

CARRIED 5 / 3

The Chair called a point of order against Cr Barwick at 3.01 pm.

### 16.2 GEORGE TOWN PLACEMAKING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 4TH APRIL 2022

**REPORT AUTHOR:** Executive Support and Governance Officer – Louise Dickenson

**REPORT DATE:** 17th May 2022

**FILE NO:** 14.7

#### OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

#### That Council:

1. Notes the Minutes of the George Town Placemaking Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

#### Minute No. 074/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Dawson Seconded: Cr Barraclough

That Council:

1. Notes the Minutes of the George Town Placemaking Committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

#### VOTING

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

#### 17 CLOSED MEETING

#### 17.1 INTO CLOSED MEETING

That Council move into closed meeting at 2.54 pm to discuss the following items:

Agenda Item 18.2 Minutes of the Closed Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022

As per the provisions of Regulation 34(6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

#### Minute No. 075/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Dawson Seconded: Cr Barraclough

That Council move into closed meeting at 2.54 pm to discuss the following items:

Agenda Item 18.2 Minutes of the Closed Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022

As per the provisions of Regulation 34(6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

#### 17.3 OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Regulation 15(8), while in a closed meeting the Council is to consider whether any discussions, decisions, reports or documents relating to that closed meeting are to be kept confidential or released to the public, taking into account privacy and confidentiality issues.

#### Minute No. 077/22

#### **DECISION**

Moved: Cr Dawson Seconded: Cr Barwick

#### That:

1. Council moves out of Closed Meeting at 3.05 pm and endorses those decisions taken while in Closed Meeting and the information remains Confidential.

#### **VOTING**

For: Cr Kieser, Cr Harris, Cr Barraclough, Cr Barwick, Cr Dawson, Cr Gibbons, Cr

Michieletto and Cr Parkes

Against: Nil

### **18 CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.07 pm.

Cr Greg Kieser MAYOR